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AMAZING ESCAPE OF AN EXPRESS.

Race to Avoid Disaster.

A disaster which would certainly have had serious results was averted in an extraordinary manner on the North-Eastern Railway on Saturday evening, Nov. 8.

The train which would have been involved had a smash occurred was the dining-car express which leaves Edinburgh at 2.20 p.m. and reaches King's-cross at 10.45.

This train, writes a member of The Daily Chronicle staff who joined the express at Darlington was, while travelling at a considerable speed, held up suddenly a short distance beyond North-Yorkton. The large number of passengers travelling in a fairly heavy train did not suspect that anything was wrong, but when the stoppage became a lengthy one—it lasted for an hour—several passengers made inquiries as to the cause of the delay.

It was then stated that the express had narrowly escaped running into a light engine and two carriages running on the same line and in the same direction, and that a collision was only averted by the prompt putting up of the express.

ENGINEMEN LEAP FOR SAFETY.

Subsequent inquiries, however, yielded an extraordinary story. It is believed that there was only a light pilot engine on the line in front of the express, and it was stated that the driver of that engine noticed the approach of the southward-bound train.

He saw that he was being rapidly overtaken, and he acted with most commendable promptitude and presence of mind. He put on full steam, and at the same time opened the engine's throttle.

While he did this he warned his fireman, and together the men—the driver with a lamp—jumped from the engine, which at once began to race forward at greatly increased speed.

The driver at once began to wave his lamp as a danger signal to warn the express, and at the same time ran towards North-Yorkton Station.

There an official on duty saw this signal, and having seen the pilot engine rush through without driver or fireman, promptly seized a lamp with a red light and signalled to the driver of the express to stop. The train was quickly drawn up.

The pilot engine had run on, but the opening of the throttle made certain that it would not run far, as, after the first dash forward at greater speed, steam would soon be exhausted and it would stop.

It was found on the line about eight miles farther south and was removed. The express then proceeded and reached King's-cross an hour late. Few of the passengers knew anything of the danger from which they had so narrowly escaped.

ALIVE AFTER A WEEK IN THE PIT.

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AND

IN THE MATTER OF GEO.

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(In Liquidation)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN in

pursuance of Section 178 of the

Companies Ordinance, 1865, that a General

Meeting of the above Named Company

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1914, at 12 o'clock noon precisely for the

purpose of having an account showing the

manner in which the winding up has been

conducted and the property of the Com-

pany disposed of, laid before a special

Meeting, and for the purpose of considering

and approving the proposed final return of

\$3.50 per share on the issued Capital,

determining the Liquidators' remuneration,

hearing any explanation that may be given

by the Liquidators and also of determining

by Extraordinary resolution the manner in

which the Books, Accounts and Documents

of the Company and of the Liquidators

thereof shall be disposed of.

PERCY SMITH,

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Hongkong, Dec. 5, 1913.

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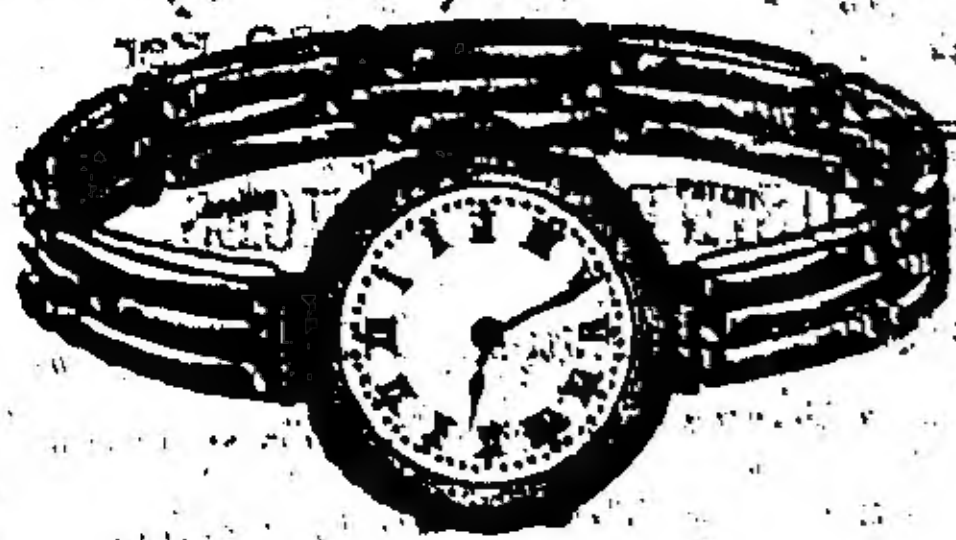
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MEMORIAL TO BOER WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

LONDON, Dec. 17.
A telegram from Bloemfontein states that the wife of ex-President Steyn unveiled a monument to the Boer women and children who perished in the war.
A huge concourse of Burghers with their wives and children camped in the open-air.
There was a remarkable Boer gathering, and impressive speeches were delivered by ex-President Steyn, Sir Louis Botha, De Wet and Delarey.
The Burghers fired a salute, and the "Last Post" was sounded.

ENGLAND'S INDUSTRIAL UNREST.

Lively Proceedings at Leeds.
LONDON, Dec. 16.
The situation at Leeds, where the tramwaymen and grave-diggers are on strike, is becoming worse. There have been fierce conflicts between the strikers and the police. There were baton charges and the police were severely handled. A score of baton-factories, which are dependent on gas-engines for their power, have been closed.

The Strike Collapsing.

LATER.
The Leeds strike is collapsing before the ardent spirit of citizenship. There are now more volunteers than can be utilised.
The tramwaymen and gasworkers resumed work to-day, and everywhere the strikers are returning to work, fearing that they might lose their posts permanently.
The Christmas business and shopping have been practically normal, thanks to the volunteers' work, which is described as the greatest object lesson in strikes.

GREECE AND THE AEGEAN ISLANDS.

Britain's Proposal to the Powers.
LONDON, Dec. 16.
It is stated in Paris and Rome that Great Britain has proposed to the Powers that Greece shall be allowed to retain the Aegean Islands which she occupies, subject to guarantees regarding fortifications and contraband, with the exception of the islands of Imbros and Tenedos, which will be returned to Turkey.

A TRAGEDY OF THE SEA.

Steamer Found Capsized.
LONDON, Dec. 16.
Reuter's Berlin correspondent telegraphs that the German steamer, the *Narvik*, was found capsized at the mouth of the Ems. Apparently the crew of 32 were drowned.

THE PRIME MINISTER AND THE KING.

LONDON, Dec. 16.
Mr. Asquith had a long interview with the King yesterday and a prolonged meeting of the Cabinet Council followed, which will be resumed this morning.

THE HOME RULE CRISIS.

Dinner Party Negotiations.

LONDON, Dec. 16.
The statement regarding the informal exchange of views on the Home Rule question by two Cabinet Ministers and two prominent members of the Opposition, appears to have originated at a dinner party given by Mr. Winston Churchill, the party including Lord Morley, Mr. F. E. Smith, and Mr. Asquith-Chamberlain.
Mr. A. Chamberlain, in a speech at Manchester yesterday, said that the air was full of rumour of negotiations and dinner parties. Mr. Asquith had indeed conversations, but conversations with the Unionist Party were only to be conducted through the leader. He was carrying on no private negotiations of his own.

A GERM DESTROYED.

THE CHINA MAIL.
A large German ship, the *Walden*, was destroyed by a mine off the coast of the Philippines. The ship was carrying a large cargo of sugar and was bound for Manila. The mine was laid by the Philippine Navy and exploded on December 15th.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

COVENT GARDEN ESTATE SOLD.

RECORD PRIVATE PROPERTY PURCHASE.
LONDON, Dec. 17.
Mr. Harry Mallaby Deely, M.P., has purchased the Duke of Bedford's Covent Garden Estate of about nine-acre acres.
The freehold consists of twenty-six streets, which includes such premises as Drury Lane Theatre, Opera House and other theatres, National Sporting Club, Covent Garden Market, hotels, etc.
This is the largest private purchase on record, and exceeds by millions sterling the price paid for any other single property.

BRITISH POLITICS.

Prolonged Cabinet Meetings.
LONDON, Dec. 17.
The series of prolonged Cabinet meetings held this week is being much commented on.
It is stated that armaments expenditure, Budget problems, the question of the inclusion of the Land Programme are occupying the attention of Ministers.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, Dec. 17.
A telegram from Paris announces the death of M. Leon Bollée, the well-known motor car and aeroplane manufacturer.

MR. CHURCHILL TO VISIT FRANCE AND GERMANY.

LONDON, Dec. 16.
Mr. Churchill, the First Lord of the Admiralty, starts on Friday for a visit to Paris and from there to Germany where he will stay for three weeks. It is not known whether he will go to Berlin, but the tour of the author of the naval holiday proposal is exciting much interest.

A Denial.

Mr. Churchill informs Reuter that there is no truth that he is going to Germany for several weeks.

THE CRISIS IN MEXICO.

Business Resumed at Tampico.
LONDON, Dec. 16.
Admiral Fletcher reports that business at Tampico has been resumed, and that there are no indications of further disturbances.

THE JOHANNESBURG OUTRAGE.

Sir Lionel Phillips' Condition.
LONDON, Dec. 16.
A telegram from Johannesburg states that the bullet which entered Sir Lionel Phillips' neck has been extracted, but the bullet which entered the liver will be left there for some days.

FORGERY CASE ECHO.

John Grant Released.
LONDON, Dec. 16.
Convicted at the Supreme Court on January 4, 1911, by a special jury, on four counts relating to the forgery of a cheque for £200 and the giving of £100 to the amount in the name of "E. Roberts," John Grant was released from prison yesterday and has left the Colony.
The released man, who is a civil engineer, was sentenced by Sir Francis Bigham to seven years' imprisonment, a term which was much "cut down" on account of his severity. Apparently the Government took cognizance of the public opinion in the Colony, for, as will be seen from the dates mentioned, Grant has served less than three years of his term.
We understand that a private residence of the Colony guaranteed the Government that Grant should be given a chance of starting his own business in a country where the stigma of his imprisonment would not be likely to attach to him.

THE CHILDREN'S COLDS.

WALTON.
The children's colds are a common complaint at this time of year. It is caused by a virus which enters the body through the nose or throat. The cold is usually accompanied by a runny nose, a sore throat, and a cough. It is important to keep the child warm and to give them plenty of rest and food.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE SUFFRAGETTES AGAIN.

ANOTHER CHURCH SET ON FIRE.
LONDON, Dec. 17.
The Suffragettes have set on fire St. Anne's Church, Aigburth, Liverpool. The south stalls were totally destroyed and the organ seriously damaged.

SCOTTISH SPORT.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
EDINBURGH, November 25.
The two great Academic clubs, provided the game of the week. On the whole, the Glasgow man deserved the victory. It is true that, owing to injuries, the Edinburgh team were handicapped, but even when both sides were complete the Glasgow fifteen were superior. They owed everything to their forwards, who in the open played a really great game. Not that the backs were negligible; in attack they were distinctly efficient and in defence remarkably so.

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SPORTING.

FOOTBALL NOTES.

The Royal Engineers broke the ice last Saturday when they beat H.M.S. "Tamar" by 3-0. This result leaves two senior clubs without a league win—Hongkong Club and H.M.S. "Tamar." The meeting of these teams in the Hongkong League on Saturday will, therefore, be interesting. It will be a win from the "League" tables that the Club and "Tamar" have each played three matches and they show a return of one goal between them. This solitary one being a penalty kick obtained by the sailors. Such a miserable tally of goals should not be allowed to stand, and to remedy this these teams are requested to wear their shooting boots next Saturday.

Few matches have been played lately; both D.C.L.L. and R.G.A. having a large number of men in camp. The gunners will be in full swing again next week, and this match and the Navy and Army game in Boxing Day should provide a good "soccer" as one is likely to see in the Colony.

The league tables are interesting this week. In the Senior Division the R.G.A. and D.C.L.L. are sharing the spoils. It was probably a slip of the pen when a writer, in describing the Hongkong League match, Club v. R.E., wrote "Club draw with last season's Champions." The Hongkong League was won by the R.G.A. last year, and it is an open secret that Green and Co. intended to hang on to the trophy. They are the only undefeated team so far but no doubt the "Duke" and the R.E.'s will see that the gunners receive a setback to equalise matters.

The Hongkong Police are setting the pace in the 2nd Div., United Services League. Fifteen points for nine matches is pretty warm. Still there are four other teams in the running and no doubt after their "rest" in camp the D.C.L.L. Res. will turn up again in the form they started the season with. Interesting matches in this division are Police v. Tamar Res. on Friday, and 83rd Coy. v. 97th Coy. on the 27th.

The League Tables To Date.

1st DIVISION HONGKONG LEAGUE.	Goals.
D.C.L.L.	2 2 0 0 5 1 4
R.G.A.	1 3 0 0 4 0 2
R.E. Reserve ..	2 0 1 1 1 2 1
H.K.F.C.	3 0 1 2 0 7 3
H.M.S. Tamar ..	

The undisturbed match, R.G.A. v. R.E. is not included in the table.

2nd DIVISION HONGKONG LEAGUE.

88 Coy. R.G.A.	2 2 0 0 3 0 4
Moalem R. Coy.	3 2 1 0 7 3 6
H.O.U.	0 0 0 0 0 0 0
University	2 0 2 0 0 7 0

1st DIVISION, UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

R.G.A.	2 2 0 0 3 0 4
D.C.L.L.	3 2 1 0 6 3 4
Royal Engineers ..	2 1 1 0 4 2 2
H.M.S. Tamar	3 0 3 0 1 9 0

2nd DIVISION, UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

Hongkong Police ..	7 1 1 30 3 15
88th Coy., R.G.A. ..	7 2 0 23 6 14
87th Coy., R.G.A. ..	5 2 1 14 10 11
D.C.L.L. Res.	4 2 2 18 9 10
83rd Coy., R.G.A. ..	4 2 2 13 11 10
Tamar Res.	3 3 1 14 10 7
Submarines	3 4 1 12 21 7
D.C.L.L. Band	2 4 2 12 16 6
Staff and Dep't. ..	1 7 1 8 23 3
D.C.L.L. Engineers ..	0 9 0 5 22 0

Rugby Football.

The first of the series of matches in the Challenge Cup competition will be played on Saturday next, 20th instant, when the Club meet The Navy on the Club ground @ 4 p.m.
Strong teams have been got together and as both sides are very keen to win, a really good game should be seen.

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REGISTRATION OF DENTISTS.

BILL TO BE INTRODUCED.

Two new Bills are to be introduced at the meeting of the Legislative Council called for to-morrow.
The first of them deals with amendments and consolidation of the Optician laws, and the second is entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the registration of qualified Dental Surgeons and otherwise to regulate the practice of Dentistry."

which take the form of brief statements of snatches expressed date on Association football; "The Hongkong Club Shield Competition," "China Station Small Ships' League," "H.K.F.A. Regulations for the Control of Referees," "Hints to Referees," "What should the Referee Give," "The Laws of the Game," etc. A copy of this valuable little "Handbook" may be had for ten cents, and we recommend it to all interested in Association Football in the Colony.

Yachting.

C.T.C. CRUISE RACE.
The Corinthian Yacht Club is sailing a cruiser race on Sunday over a course from Hongkong to Cheung Chau and back. A good number of entries has been received.

THE ABRUZZI ROMANCE.

Why Miss Elkins did not marry the Duke.
A report is circulated in the United States that claims to explain the breaking off of a supposed engagement between Miss Katharine Elkins and the Duke of the Abruzzi. As the world was informed by the newspapers, the marriage was opposed earnestly by ex-Queen Margherita and mildly by the King of Italy, on the ground that the Duke should marry no one not of royal origin.

H.K.F.A. Official Handbook.

The Official Handbook of the Hongkong Football Association has already been referred to in this column in previous issues, and again we have much pleasure in commending it to Mr. W. W. Edgar, the Hon. Secretary of the Association, on the able manner in which he has presented this useful and well-illustrated book. It should prove of much value to all interested in the work of the H.K.F.A., and indeed in the Association Football game in the Colony. Mr. Edgar writes with a comprehensive knowledge of the subject, and his volume is a most useful and well-illustrated book. It should prove of much value to all interested in the work of the H.K.F.A., and indeed in the Association Football game in the Colony.

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